



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

by Mayor Julia Mosley

Call 301-773-7891 to contact the Mayor. The Mayor's door at the Community Center is open to visitors on **Monday evenings** from 7:30 to 9:30 PM, except holidays or if otherwise posted.

WELCOME TO NEW WARD 5 COUNCILMEMBER VERNELL JOHNSON

After several years of having the Ward 5 Council seat remain vacant, Council was delighted to appoint Vernell Johnson to the seat at the May Town meeting. Vernell has lived in Ward 5 for a number of years and after being disappointed at not having representation on the Council, he decided to step up and apply for the post himself. Council interviewed him and at the most recent televised meeting, voted unanimously to appoint him. Officer Johnson is currently a police officer in District Heights and previously was an officer here in Cheverly. Unofficially, he has worked with the management of the apartments in Ward 5 on security and community issues for a number of years and he knows his constituents well. With his law enforcement training, educational background and experience with community issues, he will be a great asset to the Council. He can be reached at (240)398-9251 or councilmemberward5@cheverly-md.gov. Welcome and congratulations Vernell!

CHEVERLY STORM DRAIN MARKINGS

A number of years ago—perhaps as long as 15 years, Council considered and rejected a proposal to stencil all Cheverly Storm drains with “Save the Bay No Dumping” messages. While we felt that the educational benefit of educating the public about the disastrous effects this illegal dumping had on Beaver Dam Creek and the Anacostia River, there were many concerns about how the program would be implemented. For many of us on Council, chief among these concerns was the visual pollution the stenciling created. We visited neighboring towns who had done stenciling and were surprised at how intrusive the blue

paint was on so many drains. We counted up how often residents would see these messages on a street like Cheverly Avenue and thought that it could be quite ugly. In addition, Councilmembers had heard from other municipalities the stencils faded and degraded quickly and required maintenance to keep them from looking unsightly. Recently, a number of interested residents made a presentation to the Council about the same program but with changes in the implementation that has eliminated all the negative aspects we were concerned about. The educational aspect has been enhanced as well as these residents are to be commended for their creativity and hard work. After the presentation and several discussions at a number of Town meetings, the Council is prepared to vote in favor of the initiative. The program can best be described by the article below submitted by Cynthia Robinson a member of The Cheverly Conservation Alliance. Again, this will be voted on by Council at the July Town meeting.

There are nearly 300 storm drains in Cheverly that flow into Lower Beaver Dam Creek, on to the Anacostia River, and then to the Chesapeake Bay. Unfortunately, in addition to allowing storm water to be carried away, the drains also collect trash and other pollution, including toxic waste, that are harmful to human health, wildlife, and our environment.

HEARING - Residents encouraged to attend

SE 4502 Marvaco Concrete Batching Plant (Remand)
Monday, June 16, 2008, 10:00AM, County Council
Hearing Room—First Floor, County Administration Building, Upper Marlboro, Md.

Nonpoint source pollution from storm drains (pollution not traceable to a specific source, such as a factory) also negatively affect drinking water quality and recreation opportunities, such as swimming and fishing. In addition, there are economic consequences. Drains and pipes clogged or damaged by trash and toxic chemicals cost in time and labor to clean and to repair.

Much of the pollution found in the Anacostia River comes from roads. Runoff from parking lots and roads carries with it pollution from our cars, litter from the streets, and items that are dumped in drains. On Earth Day 2006 alone, more than 31 tons of trash were removed from the Anacostia River (the most recent year for which data is available).

Because it is always more efficient and effective to stop pollution where it starts, the Cheverly Conservation Alliance (Cheverly Garden Club, Friends of Lower Beaver Dam, Progressive Cheverly Environmental Committee, and 100 Friends of Wildflower Yoga) has proposed to purchase and install storm drain decals that warn about the negative impacts of dumping trash and other pollutants (oil, paint, chemical cleaners, and other toxics) into storm drains. The decals would indicate "No Dumping. Drains to Anacostia River." The decals are small and unobtrusive (3 ¾" x 8" rectangle) in an attractive blue, green and white design. They also are easy to install and do not require trained staff or special equipment other than quality bonding glue.

The Conservation Alliance has recommended to the Town Council the installation of the decals at both the street level and sidewalk level at each storm drain in town, using the highest quality, most durable decals (12-year warranty). Decals featuring a no-slip surface would be placed on the sidewalk level.

The Alliance would coordinate the application for grants to secure funds for the project, would order the decals and supplies, and organize and facilitate volunteer groups to install the decals. The proposed project already has attracted broader community support. The Anacostia Watershed Society, Cheverly Girl Scout Troop, and Kids Care have volunteered to help install the decals. Beyond free labor, there would be educational benefit for the youth involved, as well as the opportunity for Girl Scouts to earn an environmental patch, and for local students to meet community service requirements.

Storm drain signage is an established method of increasing awareness about nonpoint source pollution. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommends the use of storm drain markers for education and outreach, and many communities across the country have made them an important part of their anti-pollution campaigns. According to the EPA, "the signs raise awareness about the connection between storm drains and receiving waters, and they help deter littering, nutrient over-enrichment, and other practices that contribute to nonpoint source pollution." See www.epa.gov/nps/toolbox.

The Town Council plans to vote on the proposed storm drain signage project in July. If approved, the project would be implemented once funds are secured from grants. The Town Council welcomes community input about the project to inform their vote. Please contact your Councilmember with your feedback. See the Cheverly website for direct email links to your councilmember at www.cheverly-md.gov. Submitted by Cynthia Robinson.

CHANGES IN THE CHEVERLY NEWSLETTER POLICY

The other issue being voted on in July will be changing the policies for submissions in the Cheverly newsletter. I have written about this in previous FYI articles and it has been discussed at many Worksessions and televised Town meetings. At the urging of many individuals and a number of community groups in Town, Council has been considering loosening the policies for what organizations in Town can post their events in the Town newsletter. Long range, we will be discussing policies for submissions of articles for the newsletter as well as Community Center Building use policies. It is our hope that these changes will make the newsletter more community oriented and informative. Below is the proposed guidelines Council will be voting on in July.

GUIDELINES THE TOWN NEWSLETTER

The purpose of these guidelines is to provide the Town officials and key staff with an opportunity to publish information regarding Town events and to further community enrichment, governmental and public interest communications. They are intended to provide equitable and standardized application and publication procedures.

I. Procedure for Publications in the Newsletter:

Publications in the Town Newsletter are under the control of the Town Administrator, or his or her designees.

A. All submissions (Articles or Notices) to the Newsletter must ordinarily be provided by the 20th of each month. (Town Staff reserves the right to give notice to Town organizations, committees and Town-sponsored groups in any months where special circumstances require an earlier deadline.)

B. The Town Staff has the ability and responsibility to make appropriate editorial changes to all articles and/or submissions and to place them within the Newsletter in the most advantageous and cost effective manner.

C. The Town Administrator has final editorial control, except for election candidate profiles.

II. Submissions Eligible for Publication in the Newsletter:

Subject to the below-listed Exclusions and Restrictions, the Town Newsletter will publish submissions by the following organizations and groups:

- A. The Mayor and Town Council.
- B. Council-appointed committees, Town committees and Town-sponsored groups.
(Groups in which the Mayor and Town Council appoint at least one voting representative in the group.)

III. Exclusions and Restrictions:

In order to preserve the purpose of the Newsletter for non-partisan community enrichment, governmental and public interest communications, the following Exclusions and Restrictions apply to all submissions with the exception of notices in the Community Bulletin section:

- A. Exclusions.
Submissions by the following organizations and groups are not eligible for publication:
 - 1. Partisan or political groups;
 - 2. Groups organized primarily for profit;
 - 3. Private/family groups; and
 - 4. Fraternal or religious groups and organizations.
- B. Restrictions
 - 1. The Newsletter does not publish advertising.
 - 2. The Newsletter does not publish political, partisan, or personal-cause submissions.
 - 3. The Newsletter does not publish religious submissions.
 - 4. The Newsletter does not publish personal fundraising solicitations for events or event sponsorship including, but not limited to, sales, auctions, raffles or games of chance involving money.
 - 5. The Newsletter does not publish submissions which contain offensive language, advocate violence or unlawful activity, or pose a threat to public order.
 - 6. When a Town Committee or Official sponsored group submits an article to be published, the Town Staff reserves the right to add any information including a byline identifying the author.
 - 7. The Town will publish an article on an event one time. If there is available space an additional edition will be published upon resubmission of the article.
 - 8. If an insert or page is requested by an organization or group and the Town agrees to print it as in the public interest, the costs of printing, folding and mailing will be paid by the submitting group.

IV Community Events/Registered Organizations

In a defined Community Bulletin section, the Town Newsletter will publish notices of events occurring at a specific time and place provided they are submitted by registered Town Organizations. The Town will only consider registering an organization for such service if:

- 1. The general membership of the organization consists of a minimum of eight members;
- 2. The general membership of the organization consists of at least 50% Cheverly residents;
- 3. The organization has a lawful purpose which does not pose a threat to public order, to the safety of the public, or to the safety of any individual;
- 4. The organization does not have as its primary purpose marketing products or services or making a profit; and
- 5. The organization is not part of a separately qualified Town Organization under this section.

To qualify as a Town Organization an authorized representative of the organization must submit to the Town Administrator a statement under oath setting forth, at a minimum: (1) the number of members of the organization, (2) the number of members of the organization who are Cheverly residents, and any other information regarding the above qualifications as well as any other information reasonably necessary to further the aim of this guideline. By January 30th of each year, a Town Organization must update the information required above to remain registered as a Town Organization. The Town Administrator shall issue a written notice or certificate evidencing the registration.

The Town will attempt to publish all submitted notices by a Town Organization. The number of notices which will be published may be limited on a first-come first-served basis to the extent of available space. No event may be advertised more than two consecutive months prior to the event.

All notices will be subject to a uniform standard font and limitation on number of characters set by the Town Administrator including a limitation on how many times that the Town will accept a notice for the same event. No notice may contain offensive language, advocate violence or unlawful activity, or pose a threat to public order.

MONTESSORI PROGRAM AT THE JUDITH P. HOYER CENTER

In my FYI last month, while thanking the members of CAPS (Cheverly Advocates for Public Schools) for their hard work, I inadvertently neglected to thank the PTA at the Judith P. Hoyer Early Learning Center for all their efforts in getting an expanded Montessori program here in Cheverly.

After years of capacity or near capacity enrollment of 120 students, the 2007-2008 year had dropped to less than 40. There was only one Montessori class with 21 students. The PTA had contacted the County's School Administration as well as US House of Representatives Majority Leader Steny Hoyer and others about their hopes and plans for the school. They had attended many meetings and worked with the Principal, Dr. Whitt, Ms. Oretha Bridgewater from the County Administration, Town Councilmembers and our State Delegates and Senator on the many issues facing Cheverly parents. In September they initiated an aggressive action plan. Their contributions had a definite and positive impact on the successful effort to get this new program here in Cheverly. Special thanks to PTA Board members President Sephia Abner, Vice President Sonya Braddock, Secretary Carolyn Cook and Treasurer Angela Paige. And as always, thanks to Dr. Whitt and Ms. Bridgewater.

NEXT MONTH'S FYI

1. An update on ongoing meetings on the Explosions near Cheverly.
2. We will be talking about a key Town resource, the Cheverly United Methodist Church's Weekday Nursery—stay tuned. There have been changes at the program and there are openings at this terrific facility. Many generations of Cheverly children have benefited from this uniquely Cheverly institution.

CHEVERLY DAY 2008

Cheverly residents had another great Cheverly Day thanks to the efforts of many dedicated volunteers and Town staff. It was a terrific day starting with the Council's Friday night black tie dance, moving to the morning Cicada Crunch race and the all-day activities on the Midway, ending with the terrific fireworks and there are many people to thank and recognize.

First and foremost are Nick and Kristy D'Angelo who put together virtually every aspect of the day including the labor intensive Cheverly Day booklet, negotiate with MNCPP-C for the stage we use for the entertainment and arrange for all the vendors and do, well—just about everything. A special thanks also has to go to Pat Nelson who for the past 5 years has

handled the Midway activities for the youngest attendees and is the unofficial “fix-it” person for everything else. This year she also helped Joyce Lang with the Cheverly Peace Month display in the lobby of the Community Center. Pat also reminded me that in the 5 years since she first volunteered, we have had great weather for Cheverly Day. She can never retire!

Councilmember and Co-chair Micah Watson lends a very experienced hand and a great deal of time to all the activities. Thanks also to Mike D'Angelo and Former Mayor Larry Beyna.

This year Cheverly's David Thorpe expertly handled the musical entertainment which was terrific. Thanks to Allan Lewine for doing this for many years before moving from Cheverly.

Dave and Andrea Rapp handled the Cicada Crunch race and Councilmember Mike Callahan started the runners and announced the winners. Other folks who pitched in to help are Gail Scott, Mike Moran, and Matt and Becky Virda.

For many, many years “Coach” Clarence Carter has organized and refereed the 3 on 3 basketball tournament for hundreds of young Cheverly residents, often reaching into his own pocket for funding. This year, he was unsure whether he would be in Town to do it and the event looked like it might not happen. Second generation resident Damien Hodges stepped up and organized a very successful tournament (with help from Coach Carter who made it back in Town just in time). I remember Damien playing on some of our Boys and Girls Club teams and it is terrific to see these young people come back and help. Great work!

Cheverly Day could not happen without our terrific Town staff. Director of Public Works Juan Torres, his second in command Ralph Thomas and his terrific staff do a Herculean effort to make the day happen. This year was particularly challenging because it rained for weeks prior to Cheverly Day leaving them little time to get things done. Special thanks to Trudy Stanek who, in addition to providing terrific resident service all year and pitches in for Cheverly Day, also does this newsletter. Building Monitors Larry Nichols and Thomas Jones, always cheerful and helpful, helped make the Cheverly Town Council's dance happen.

Thanks to Chief Buddy Robshaw, his Lt. Joe Frohlich and all our officers who ALL worked long hours to make sure we had a peaceful and safe day---and it was. They also manned an information table all day and assisted residents with their questions.

THE 2008 MAYOR'S AWARD & THE 2008 JACK WHEAT AWARD

Prior to presenting the awards, State Senator David Harrington presented the Mayor and Council with a proclamation recognizing Cheverly for dedicating May 2008 as "Peace Month in Cheverly" and for the Town working for peace in our community. The Council and I thought the best person to accept his award was the real mover and shaker behind this effort, Cheverly Woman's Club Co-President Joyce Lang.

THE MAYOR'S AWARD

Just prior to the fireworks, I presented The Mayor's Award to the Boy Scout and Cub Scout leaders, past and present who have guided hundreds of young Cheverly men through their formative years, helping them become exemplarity, caring and self-reliant adults. The benefit and contribution these leaders and their young scouts have made to our Town, County and indeed, in their military service, to their country is impossible to fully appreciate.

Troop 716 (and Ship 716) has just recently gone inactive after helping an impressive number of scouts attain Eagle Scout status. These Troop 716 leaders and volunteers, past and present, who were honored are: Alan Barclay, Dan Clement, John Conwell, Willie Dickman, Ellen Dickman, Ken Furnkranz, Ray Heer, Janet Issacson, Pete Issacson, Lee Jennings, Tom Kenyon, Bob Klosowski, Dave Kneipp, Darrell Matics and Dottie Tamai. A very special thanks to long time Scout Master Joe Friebele who continues to work on behalf of all Cheverly Scouts and who kindly helped me put together these awards. Joe called forward Dottie Tamai for special recognition and whom he very accurately called "The Mother of Cheverly Scouting". Dottie will be receiving her own plaque at the June Town meeting.

Troop 257 Scout leaders and volunteers who were honored are Brian Hanlon, Arvind Lal, Brian Walsh, Norm Mauslof, Dan Misleh, David Jochelson, Eric Harder, John Conwell, Tim Taylor, Denise Carrigan,

Bill Carrigan, Jim Gaines, Joe Pruden, David Jochelson, Larry Woodworth, Jay Bergman, Bob Rand and Ed Roebuck. Troop 257 will elevate yet another Scout to Eagle Scout status this month, continuing an impressive tradition of advancing 34 young men to Eagle Scout status. Congratulations to all these dedicated volunteers.

Again, I will take this opportunity to ask for volunteers. There is a strong scouting tradition in Town and we have great Scout Leaders for the Scouts. Unfortunately, there are not any current leaders for the Cub Scouts and without them, this impressive tradition will eventually end. If there are any residents who would like to volunteer to lead a group of Cub Scouts---please come forward. I will put you in touch with Eric Harder from Troop 257 and he will help get you started. You won't have to go it alone as many leaders past and present are willing to assist.

THE JACK WHEAT AWARD

The Jack Wheat Award is awarded annually to a volunteer or staff member who has made significant contributions that improve or bring our community together. This award was an easy one. While the Mayor's Award shows how many people can work together to make a difference, this year's Jack Wheat Award winner shows what one dedicated individual can accomplish. Long time resident Crystal Lal decided that Cheverly needed its own Farmers Market not only to provide a place for residents to shop for quality local produce and products but as a community meeting place. She researched and planned the market and cajoled terrific farmers, vendors and wineries to take a chance on Cheverly. After three very successful test markets last fall, Crystal has arranged for a market to be held at the Community Center every other Saturday starting on May 24th continuing until November. Congratulations Crystal!

Congratulations and thank you to everyone. And we need volunteers for next year please!!



New Councilmember Vernell Johnson of Ward 5 being sworn in by the Mayor.

Another Successful Cheverly Day!

Thanks to our many volunteers and the wonderful turnout, another great Cheverly Day goes down in history! Good music, good food, good information, fabulous fireworks and plain good fun, and of course, good weather, made the day an all over success. We hope you all visited the Green Tent, saw what our organizations have done for the Month of Peace at our display in the foyer, enjoyed the games and attractions on the Midway and took time to eat, drink and relax to the sounds of our great bands who performed. Let us express our many, many thanks to all of the volunteer workers who all came together to work the Cicada Crunch Race and the various events that took place throughout the day. It couldn't have been done without you!

Our theme this year was our many organizations that make our little haven so unique. So we give special kudos to all of you for your participation with the information tables, activities and food booths you presented. This year's tee shirt design honors our groups and organizations with 36 (yes, 36!) little tee-shirted people with the name of their group across their chest. There are still shirts available, so if you haven't already purchased one or want some more, please contact us at nick@cheverlyday.com or pat217@comcast.net. Wear it proudly to show the feeling of community and camaraderie of the people of Cheverly working together to make our town great!

Cheverly Day Committee, 2008



Message from the Chief

Buddy Robshaw (policechief@cheverly-md.gov)

“Cheverly Day”: Congratulations to Cheverly Day organizers for another great job.

With the exception of some minor problems, everyone appeared to have a joyful and safe day. I was especially proud of the fact that our youth exited the park and went home in an orderly and quiet fashion. I do apologize to anyone that was inconvenienced by the road closings for the “Cicada Crunch.”

C-PACT Meeting: The next C-PACT meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 10, 2008, at 7:00 PM at the Police Station. We will be making our first video for presentation on the Town's cable channel. We will also be updating residents on the crime picture in Town, talking about some special enforcement projects, and discussing the status of the grant application for Town radios.

C-PACT Website: I encourage every reader to visit the C-PACT website located at <http://cpact.squarespace.com>. Police Department personnel visit this site everyday and the latest information is always available. In addition, I address the “Ask The Chief” Forum whenever there is a question posed and it is a good way to seek answers to questions at any hour.

Overtime Enforcement Programs: The Department participates in a number of overtime enforcement programs funded by the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA). Current programs include “Click It or Ticket” (seat belt enforcement) and “Smooth Operator” (aggressive driving). The Department maintains a zero-tolerance policy regarding seat belt violations and every seat belt violation requires the issuance of a citation(s) by a Cheverly officer. Please ensure that you and all of your vehicle's passengers wear seat belts at all times.

Changes to the Ramp to US 50E: New changes to the US 50 Eastbound ramp from Landover Road include “rumble” strips, new arrow signs, and a speed camera-oriented flashing sign that warns speeding motorists to slow down when approaching the curve at the bottom of the hill. I spoke with Darryl Mosley of the SHA, and he says that these significant changes should reduce accidents. This is one of the highest accident locations in the northern part of Prince George's County as most Cheverly residents already know. Please drive carefully whenever you use this ramp

Fingerprinting: The Cheverly Police Department offers fingerprinting services Monday through Friday, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The cost for Town residents is \$10.00, and all others \$20.00. It is always a good idea to call first to make sure someone is available to fingerprint. The office telephone number is (301) 341-1055. In addition, you must bring your own fingerprint cards since nearly every agency or entity that requires fingerprints wants them on their own cards. Bring your picture identification or driver's license as well.

Crime Report for April 2008 (All Addresses Are in Hundred Blocks)

Total Arrests for the Month: 31
Total Traffic for the Month: 308
Total Crime (YTD): -10%

04-01-08	0731 hrs	6500 Landover Rd	Theft
04-03-08	1124 hrs	2400 Cheverly Ave	Assault
04-03-08	1325 hrs	5900 Euclid Street	B&E (Residential)
04-04-08	1737 hrs	3000 Bellevue Ave	Robbery (Citizen)
04-05-08	0739 hrs	3300 Tremont Street	Vandalism
04-05-08	0924 hrs	5800 Annapolis Road	Theft from Auto
04-05-08	1845 hrs	5800 Landover Street	Theft from Auto
04-07-08	1945 hrs	5500 Col. Park Rd	Stolen Auto/01 Ford
04-08-08	0930 hrs	6000 Arbor Street	Theft from Auto
04-08-08	1550 hrs	6300 Landover Rd	B&E (Residential)
04-09-08	0930 hrs	6500 Landover Road	B&E (Residential)
04-10-08	1731 hrs	6300 Landover Road	Att. Murder (Arrest)
04-15-08	1055 hrs	3100 63 rd Ave	Theft from Auto
04-15-08	1110 hrs	2800 63 rd Ave	Theft from Auto
04-16-08	0445 hrs	6500 Landover Road	Theft from Auto
04-16-08	0938 hrs	6400 Landover Road	Assault (Arrest)
04-16-08	1744 hrs	6300 Landover Rd	B&E (Residential)
04-18-08	1505 hrs	6500 Oak Street	Vandalism
04-18-08	2200 hrs	2700 Valley Way	Robbery (Citizen)
04-21-08	0001 hrs	6500 Landover Road	B&E (Residential)
04-23-08	1530 hrs	2600 Pepsi Place	Theft from Auto
04-25-08	0537 hrs	6500 Landover Road	Robbery (Residential)
04-25-08	0647 hrs	6300 Landover Road	Vandalism
04-25-08	2305 hrs	5800 Annapolis Road	Theft
04-28-08	2045 hrs	3100 63 rd Ave	B&E (Residential)
04-29-08	0815 hrs	2300 Bellevue Ave	Theft
04-29-08	1240 hrs	6500 Landover Road	Theft (Arrest)
04-30-08	0121 hrs	6500 Landover Road	Assault
04-30-08	1810 hrs	6500 Landover Road	Sex Offense

Quiz

In this month's quiz, see how many words you can make out of the word "POLICE."

Vehicle Donations: You can donate your used vehicle to the Town of Cheverly and receive the same tax ramifications as any other charity. Recent vehicle donations enabled the police department to purchase new duty weapons, Tasers, radar units, and to help subsidize the "Club" vehicle anti-theft device program. With a donation to the Town, you can see positive results firsthand. As always, the towing of all donated vehicles is free to all residents. **In tight fiscal times like today, donations help supplement the equipment inventory that keeps this Department on the cutting edge.**

New Personnel: The Police Department has three recent additions to our staff. Two of these officers, Officer Bernard Jones #1676 and Officer Bradley Montoya #1677, are recent graduates of the Southern Maryland Police Academy in La Plata, Maryland. Both graduated with extremely high marks and these officers captured two of the four major awards issued by the Academy for their graduating class. The third officer, Francis Schmidt #1678, is a veteran officer who joined us from the Upper Marlboro Police. When you see these officers, tell them Welcome to Cheverly!



Robert Rascoe receiving the "Chief's Award" for assisting the Police on a breaking and entering arrest.

Cheverly RECREATION COUNCIL

There is no meeting in June. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, September 23 at 7PM in the conference room of the Community center. In place of a meeting we will have our annual family picnic at Jug bay in July. Have a wonderful summer and think about coming to our September meeting.

Cheverly GARDEN CLUB - If you are not swimming in your backyard or in your basement, YOU are one of the lucky ones. We were very lucky that at the Plant Sale, so many of you came and bought...gardeners are optimists and the Garden Club THANKS YOU. National Police Week came and the club made 100 corsages at CUMC that were given to mothers of the Fallen Officers. This year Sieck Wholesales donated the flowers. In June, we will be making arrangements for Shut Ins. If you know someone you feel should receive an arrangement, PLEASE let us know. We are limited but we know that there are people who would appreciate an arrangement of fresh flowers and they will be delivered in town. Call Michael Giese, 301-773-7318 with the name and address and we will try to honor your request. June meeting will be our last and we start back in September with a visit to a beautiful garden in Beltsville, well known for the Chrysanthemums. Please join us for activities...we can do more if we have more and younger help and fortunately we are moving in that direction. There are a few copies of the Month to Month Maintenance Chart still available for \$8.00. Save postage and PU in Cheverly, Call A. Gardenhour at 301-773-1991. Remember...**WE ARE A DIRT UNDER THE NAILS CLUB**. The Garden Club's project for Peace Month was to plant a tree adjacent to the Blue Star By-Way Memorial marker at the southern end of Cheverly Ave.



2008 Cheverly Community Market Continues through October

The first Cheverly Community Market (CCM) of the 2008 season was held on May 24th. The markets will continue through October, generally on the first and third Saturday of the month. The dates for the 2008 season are June 7 and 21, July 5 and 19, August 2, 16 and 30, September 6 and 20, and October 4 and 25. All markets will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Cheverly Community Center, 6401 Forest Road, rain or shine.

The Cheverly Community Market offers fresh and organic fruits and vegetables; cheeses, bread and other baked goods; jams, honey and syrups; authentic tortillas and chips; cut flowers; seafood; fair trade coffees, and wines from Maryland vineyards. The markets also will feature hand-made soaps, pottery and jewelry, as well cooking demonstrations and food tastings. There will be freshly brewed coffee and herbal drinks to enjoy while listening to live entertainment by local musicians as well.

More information about the Cheverly Community Market is available at

www.cheverlycommunitymarket.com.

CHEVERLY WEEKDAY NURSERY will be OPEN for the 2008-09 school year.



This five day-a-week preschool program located at the Cheverly United Methodist Church offers developmentally appropriate activities for children ages 3 to 5 years.

The child is given the freedom to grow and learn in an environment balanced with enough guidance and structure for each child to feel secure. The school environment is designed to develop independent thinking, encourage self-sufficiency, instill a love of learning, improve social and emotional skills and achieve math and reading readiness for kindergarten. There are several sessions to choose from including half day, full days, and a three quarter day. For more information please contact Nancy McGuirk at 301-773-2297 or the church at 301-773-1314



Hand Dancing

Instructor: Melvin Caldwell
Session Started—May 20, 2008

Location: Cheverly Community Center
Time: Tuesday, 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM
Registration: Bladensburg Community Center (provide proof of residency), or On line at <http://smartlink.pgparcs.com/Smartlink/>
Cost: \$60/PG & Montg. Cnty Resident
\$72 for all other residents
Contact: Bernetta Crutcher @301-772-2354

NO PARTNER NEEDED

ACTIONS TAKEN

Votes were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Town Meeting May 8, 2008

- ☐ Motion CM Callahan to approve budget adjustment for Public Works for \$15,000. Seconded CM Ford

TENTATIVE AGENDAS

Town Meeting June 12, 2008

- ☐ Adoption O-1-08 Elections
- ☐ Adoption CA-2-08 Elections
- ☐ Public Hearing—Constant Yield Tax Rate
- ☐ Adoption FY09 Operating Budget and CIP
- ☐ Adoption O-2-08 Fences

Date Change

Worksession June 19, 2008

- ☐ Department Head Evaluations

Meeting Agendas are updated on the Cheverly website:
www.cheverly-md.gov and on Cheverly cable channel 71.

**Town Meeting broadcast LIVE on Comcast 71.
Re-broadcast everyday at
Noon, 6:00 PM & 10:00 PM**



TOWN REGULATIONS REGARDING SIGNS

An individual or organization wishing to advertise an event of public interest (for example a yard sale or an event open to the public) on public rights-of-way must register with the Town and pay a **\$1.00 fee**.

- You receive two (2) authorized signs which can be placed (back to back) as 1 directional sign on Cheverly Avenue at the street leading to the property. This directional sign may not be placed within Town Parks nor within 120 feet of any Cheverly entrance signs.
- This sign must be attached to a metal or wooden stake and MAY NOT be attached to trees, utility poles, street signs, or traffic signs.
- This sign may be posted no more than 48 hours prior to the event, and removed within 24 hours of the conclusion of the event or by 6:00 PM Sunday, whichever is earlier.
- Any other temporary signs must be on private property, and comply with Section 23-3(d) of the Town Code.
- Any sign posted on public property and not following these regulations will be removed immediately and a municipal infraction will be issued.
- You may only register for two (2) events in a calendar year.



Ballroom Dancing

Instructor: Cheverly's own
Sam Burroughs

Session Started - May 25, 2008

Location: Cheverly Community Center
Time: Sunday's 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Registration: Bladensburg Community Center
(provide proof of residency) or at
<http://smartlink.pgparcs.com/smartlink/>

Cost: \$60.00 for PG & Montg. Cnty Resident
Contact: Sam Burroughs at 301-322-2077

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL -

"A Holy Land Adventure: Jerusalem Marketplace", at Cheverly United Methodist Church, June 23-27, 6:00 to 7:30pm. Dinner served at 5 PM. To register and for more information, call Cate Abbott at 301-773-5607.

ANIMAL ORDINANCE — CODE VIOLATIONS:

- Animals running at large.
- Failure to pick up fecal waste when walking dog.
- Excessive noise.
- Unsanitary conditions on private property.
- Confined in heat.
- Failure to license a dog/cat.
- Failure to display license and/or current rabies tag.

Don't let your pets become a nuisance.

Complaints from residents:

- 🐕 Dogs running loose that have bitten residents.
- 🐕 Dogs tied on porches that can reach mail carriers
- 🐕 Dogs running loose that have attacked smaller dogs being walked by their owners.
- 🐕 Owners walking their dogs that leave fecal waste in other people's yards, on sidewalks, or in parks.

PLEASE BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR:

- ⇒ Your dog/cat must be **SECURELY** confined so that it cannot escape from your property.
- ⇒ Dogs must be on a leash strong enough to control the animal.
- ⇒ Do not let your dog run loose in the parks.
- ⇒ You **MUST PICK UP** after your animals.

Also, Be aware that if you leave your dog at home alone with the windows open your dog may bark at everything and everyone that passes and become a noise problem for the neighborhood.

NOISE — a friendly reminder — Please be aware that Cheverly has a noise ordinance. Daytime hours are considered 8AM to 9PM for allowable

noise from construction, or emanating from power equipment. Daytime hours on Sunday begin at 9AM. It is unlawful, between 11:00PM and 8:00AM, to operate radios, televisions, audio systems, etc. that create noise in any way audible to others living nearby, or so as to disturb the peace and quiet of the neighborhood.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE — Summer brings with it those dreaded outside chores; mowing lawns, trimming trees and hedges and general lot maintenance.

CODE VIOLATIONS:

- ⇒ Allowing grass to grow over 8" in height.
- ⇒ Trees and bushes in your yard which hang down and otherwise impede sidewalk traffic.
- ⇒ Hedges and bushes over 3' high which block the view at intersections.

If you are cited for these (or any) lot maintenance violations, please correct them within the time frame given.

In the case of non-compliance, the Town will have a contractor correct the violations and the property owner will be billed. Please note that these charges can be \$100 or more as well as carry a fine.

RESIDENTIAL BUSINESS LICENSES

If you are currently operating a business out of your home, you are required to obtain a **Town Residential Business License**.

Home occupations are under (Chapter 9-of Town Code) and (subtitle 27-of the Prince George's County Code) and do not include any retail business or trade, etc.

Town Residential Business Licenses are issued annually for the Fiscal Year (July 1 to June 30). Please call the Town Clerk at 301-773-8360 or stop by the Town Office to pick up an application form. *The yearly business license fee is \$20.*

CHEVERLY RENTAL LICENSES

All single-family, multi-family, and roomer rental dwellings in Cheverly are required by Chapter 5 of the Town Code to obtain a **Cheverly Rental Housing License**.

Licenses are issued annually for the Fiscal Year (July 1 to June 30). Call the Code Enforcement Office at 301-341-1055 for an application. *The yearly rental license fee is \$40.*

NOTE: *Failure to comply with Town Code licensing laws can result in a fine.*

YARD WASTE — (grass clippings, brush, leaves) are to be placed in **CLEAR plastic bags** so that the town crews can easily identify them. Tree limbs, and brush are to be tied and bundled for easy pickup by the crews.



Rocks, and dirt are not to be placed in these bags. When black bags are used, we are forced to take them to the landfill where the cost is substantial compared to the Western Branch yard waste facility. These costs are an unnecessary burden to the Town. Please purchase the appropriate clear plastic bags and **REMEMBER YARD WASTE IS ONLY PICKED UP ON MONDAY.** Placing yard waste bags out any other day will cost you and your neighbors.

BAMBOO IS PICKED UP W/SPECIAL TRASH ON THUR/FRI ONLY

Need help with YARD WORK? To assist our elderly, and other residents who need help with yard work, Cheverly maintains this list of teenagers who are interested in being hired for cutting grass, raking leaves, shoveling snow, etc.

240-478-4622	PINKNEY, Xavier
301-773-4650	RUDDY, William
301-773-5465	ILOCHONWU, Obinna
301-322-1075	DIXON, Dorian
301-386-0049	TEEL, Andrew
301-772-6028	PRIEST, Andrew
301-322-4952	ALLEGRO, Max



Cheverly teenagers can call the town office at 773-8360 if they wish to add their names to this list.

VACATIONS & HOME SECURITY:

Residents planning to be away for vacations should call the Cheverly Police (**301-341-1055**) to arrange to have their homes checked while they are gone.

The following items should also be checked to make sure your residence is safe and looks as much as possible like someone is there:

- Cancel newspaper & mail delivery or have a neighbor pick it up for you.
- Arrange for lawn care.
- Valuables should be stored, preferably in a bank.
- Store lawn mowers, bicycles, and lawn furniture inside.
- Lights inside the house should be set on a timer.
- Set telephone bells as low as possible.
- Shades and drapes should be drawn.
- Cars left in the driveway should be locked.
- Make sure smoke detectors are working.
- All windows and doors should be locked.
- Give your house key & itinerary to at least one friend or neighbor.



CHEVERLY FLAGS —

\$50.00 at Town Hall.

CHEVERLY COVERLETS Cost: \$30.00

This beautiful coverlet is 100% cotton, 2½ layers, Jacquard woven in the USA, preshrunk, colorfast, and machine-washable. It is handsome and practical, measuring approximately 48"x68", and fringed on all four sides. The design captures the history and spirit of Cheverly with the depiction of various sites throughout town. A perfect gift that will become an instant keepsake.

Meetings & Events



Congratulations!
CLASS OF 2008

Tue	June 3	8:00 PM	Boys & Girls Club Executive Board
Thur	June 5	7:30 PM	WORKSESSION
Sat	June 7	8:30 AM	Farmers Market
Mon	June 9	7:00PM	Planning Board
Tue	June 10	7:00PM	CPAC Meeting
Thur	June 12	8:00 PM	TOWN MEETING
Mon	June 16	7:00PM	4th Ward Civic Assoc.
Tue	June 17	8:00PM	Boys & Girls Club Board
Wed	June 18	7:00PM	Swim Club
Thur	June 19	7:30PM	WORKSESSION
Sat	June 21	8:30 AM	Farmers Market
Tue	June 24	7:30PM	METRO Task Force
Fri	July 4	INDEPENDENCE DAY—Offices Closed	

CPRC playgroup meets in the Gym on Mon, Wed & Fri (9:30 am-11:30 am) when temperatures are under 65. Cancelled when the building is closed for an event or work is scheduled.

Recreation Council sponsored MNCPPC classes held at the Community Center Gym:

- **Karate** on Monday evening 7-11PM
 - Hand Dancing—Tue. 7-8:30 PM
 - Ballroom Dancing—Sun. 6:30-8:30 PM
- Call 301-445-4500 for info (or) www.pgparcs.com.

TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE

MON	Town Wide	YARD WASTE
MON	East side	Regular Garbage Pickup only
TUE	West side	Regular Garbage Pickup only
WED	Town wide	RECYCLING (blue or yellow bins)
THU	East side	Garbage & <u>SPECIAL TRASH</u> (at curb)
FRI	West side	Garbage & <u>SPECIAL TRASH</u> (at curb)

BAMBOO is picked up with Thursday/Friday Special Trash



Residents should not leave trash at the curb except after 7:00PM the day before your pickup.

HOLIDAYS? Public Works crews **DO NOT** work on holidays. Collections on holidays are **CANCELLED**.

CHEVERLY WEBSITE— cheverly-md.gov

You can easily contact the Mayor and Council through their town email accounts. There are also links at the Mayor and Council page of the website.

Mayor@cheverly-md.gov
Councilmemberward1@cheverly-md.gov
Councilmemberward2@cheverly-md.gov
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HAPPY Father's Day

The Town of Cheverly does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or sexual orientation.. If you are a person with a disability (vision, hearing, or speech impairment) and wish to participate in Town activities or programs, please contact the Town Office at 773-8360 (voice) or the Maryland Relay System at 1-800-735-2258.

Mayor: Julia Mosley	301-773-7891
Ward 1: Mike Callahan	301-772-3197
Ward 2: Micah Watson	240-603-9366
Ward 3: RJ Eldridge	301-773-7828
Ward 4: Leon Schachter	301-772-6244
Ward 5: Vernell Johnson	240-398-9251
Ward 6: Vincent L. Ford	301-341-0810

Town Offices: (Mon-Fri, 9AM-5PM)

Administration	301-773-8360
Police Admin & Code Enforcement	301-341-1055
Public Works (M-F: 7:30-4)	301-773-2666
Maryland Relay	711
FAX	301-773-0173
If you need a Police Officer call:	301-333-4000

WEB SITE: www.Cheverly-md.gov

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